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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sirs:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed November, 1999, please
amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

1. (Twice Amended) A golf club shaft comprising:
an elongated tubular shaft comprising a plurality of layers of fibers
imbedded in a synthetic resin, said elongated tubular shaft having a butt end of
relatively larger cross sectional diameter tapering without intervening
discontinuities to a tip end of relatively smaller diameter, said tip end having an
outside diameter [adapted to be attached to a club head] between .330 and .400
inches;

said butt end having [at least one portion with] an outside diameter
of [about .460] .400 to .540 inches.

7. (Twice Amended) A composite golf club shaft comprising;
an elongated tubular shaft comprising a plurality of layers of fiber

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